

MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2014



Warren Recreation Board
790 Main Street
Warren, RI 02885

The Meeting of Thursday March 6, 2014 was held at the Mary V. Quirk School/ Warren Recreation Board Building at 790 Main Street and was called to order by the Chairperson at 6:33PM.

Present was Recreation Director Sharon Lombardo, Board Members Christine McGovern, Tami Stallings, and Recording Secretary Carol Gafford. Chairperson Donna Ramos and Bryan McShane were excused. Guests were Mark Thayer and Maggie Daubenspeck from Roger Williams University.

The minutes for the February 6, 2014 meeting were accepted with a motion made by Tami Stallings to approve the minutes, seconded by Christine McGovern and accepted by all.

Mark Thayer and Maggie Daubenspeck attend the Recreation meeting as part of a school assignment to observe a town meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

RE: PERMITS AND LEAGUES

The MVQ is booked all weekends. Bryan McShane will need to submit a permit for baseball along with insurance information and a schedule. Christine McGovern has someone who may want to offer Yoga classes. Youth wrestling wants to use the MVQ in September through December every Tuesday and Thursday. Discussion of rates took place. Rental space is \$20 for the first hour and \$10 for the second hour. Jane Harrison has applied for a permit for Earth Day at the Pete Sepe Pavilion. Special Olympics has equipment and uses the MVQ on Sunday's from 9:30-11:30AM.

RE: MVQ COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE/PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

April 12th is the EBCAP/COZY Resource Fair. Chairperson Ramos has asked to have the dumpster fee waived but the Board cannot waive that fee. Rental can be waived. Sharon will inform Donna.. ~WIP

RE: BUDGET & FINANCES:

The meeting with the town was held on March 1st. Chairperson Donna Ramos and Recreation Director Sharon Lombardo attended. They supported the plans for the inline rink. There will be another meeting and the Inline Rink advocates should be at the next town meeting ~ **WIP**

RE: RECREATION WISH LIST -

Recreation would like new computers for the MVQ. They would also like to have grant money to fix the Baltimore Avenue Park. ~ WIP

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RE: GRANTS

There was no update on grants at this time. ~WIP

RE: VETERAN'S FIELD TRACK (KMS Track)

The Board is waiting on bids for the fence. ~WIP

RE: ONLINE PERMIT FORMS

Recreation Director Sharon Lombardo is working on getting forms online for the Pete Sepe Pavilion. She is looking into if any licenses are required for online forms. – WIP

RE: PR PACKAGE

There was no update on PR at this time. This is a work in progress. –WIP

RE: RECREATION COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

This has been tabled to a future meeting. – WIP

RE: TOWN COUNCIL POLICIES

There has been no response from the Town Council at this time. ~WIP

RE: EAST BAY SKI CLUB

This has been tabled for a future meeting.

RE: JAMIEL'S PARK

There was no update at this time . *Please see information under budget and finance.* – WIP

RE: RECREATION IN THE MEDIA

Recreation Director Sharon Lombardo stated she will be using the Bristol-Warren Patch from now on for events. The Patch will also take pictures. ~WIP

RE: COMMUNITY GARDEN

The New Urban Farmers will be offering classes in May for gardeners. Plots will still be available to the public. ~WIP

RE: STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR 2013

The Board will continue talks on the Strategic Plan at future meetings. -WIP

RE: WARREN DOG PARK

Board Member Bryan McShane has sent a letter to the Town Manager with an estimate of the cost and land/space needed for a Dog Park. ~ WIP

RE: MVQ WHEELCHAIR LIFT

The lift has been fixed.

RE: BROKEN BACK STOP AT BURR'S HILL

Bryan will have an update on this at the next meeting.

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RE: REVIEW OF POLICY BOOK

Tabled until ordinances are reviewed by Town Council.

RE: SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics will go to the Town Council next week. They have found a sponsor for half of the costs to rent space. The Board will wait to hear the outcome of the Town Council decision to waive fees.

RE: ONLINE CALENDAR

Recreation Director Sharon Lombardo is working on posting a calendar online for the Board to have access.

NEW BUSINESS

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The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Friday evening, April 11, and Saturday April 12th. Festivities will start on Friday evening at 8PM and on Saturday at 9:00AM. Sharon will post this on the Patch and also get a flyer to the schools.

Starting in May 2014 meetings will be held at 7:00PM

Fees for the Summer Recreation Program were discussed and the Board is keeping the same fees as last year. Motion made by Carol Gafford, seconded by Tami Stallings and approved by all.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday April 2, 2014 at 6:30PM.

A motion was made by Board Member Carol Gafford to adjourn and seconded by Tami Stallings. The meeting adjourned at 7:37PM.

Respectfully Submitted and Approved for Record

Thursday April 2, 2014

Carol Gafford, Recording Secretary